

Flot de compilation: propriétés pour l'analyse ou la transformation de code

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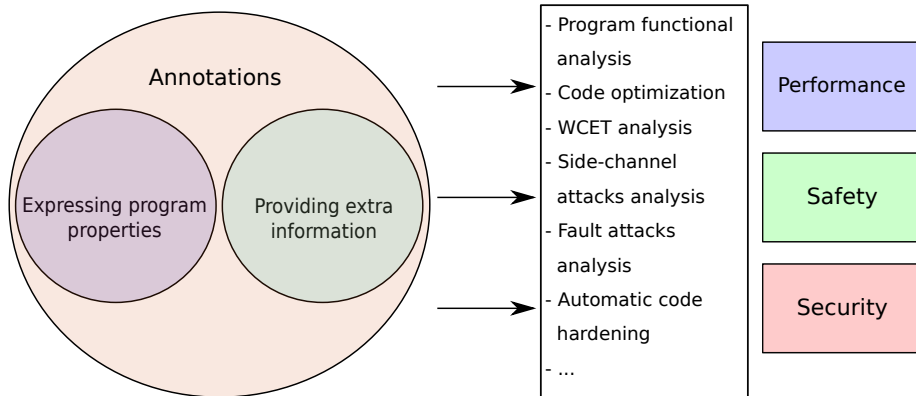
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Background and motivation

- *Annotations = program properties + extra information*
- Used in multiple application fields.



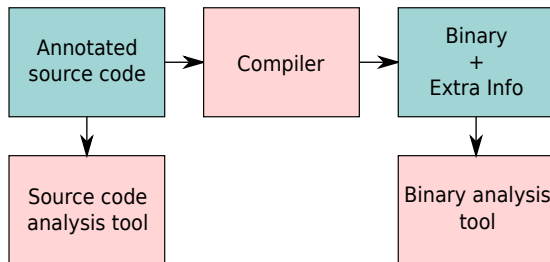
- Annotations are consumed by analysis tools or program transformation tools working from the source level to the binary level.

Related work

- Annotation languages :
 - GNU attributes, Microsoft's SAL, JML for Java, ACSL for C, ...
 - At source-level
- Usages :
 - augment compiler optimizations [NZ13]
 - automatic code hardening at compilation time [Hil14]
 - flow information for WCET analysis at binary level [LPR14] [SCG⁺18]

⇒ No annotation languages for all these properties

⇒ No compilers propagating annotations until the binary other than CompCert



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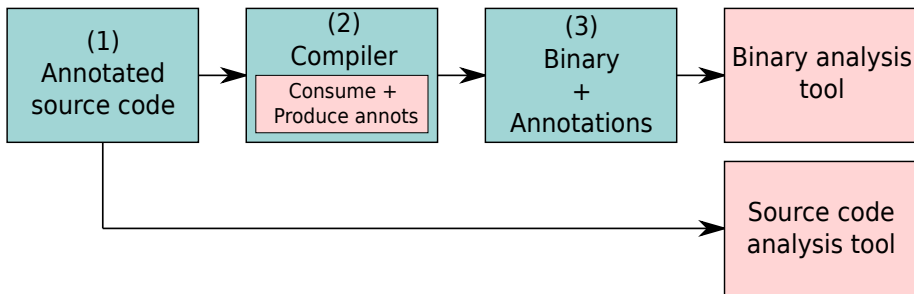
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- For loop (line 7-9) must be executed exactly 4 times.

Problem statement



- ① Design a source-level annotation language to express a wide range of properties.
- ② Build a compilation framework which propagates annotations through an optimizing pipeline.
- ③ Define binary-level representation for the source-level annotation language.

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Annotation language by example

- ACSL already allows specifying program functional properties.

```
1 #define ANNOT(s) __attribute__((annotate(s)))
2
3 // Function annotation
4 ANNOT("\\assigns g_ptc;"
5       "\\ensures \\result == 1 &&"
6       " \\forall i; 0 <= i < 4: g_userPin[i] == g_cardPin[i];"
7       "\\ensures \\result == 0 &&"
8       " \\exists i; 0 <= i < 4: g_userPin[i] != g_cardPin[i];")
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Annotation language by example

- Introduce semantic keywords (e.g. `\secret`) to specify non-functional properties, used by analysis tools.

```
1 #define ANNOT(s) __attribute__((annotate(s)))
2
3 // Variable annotation
4 int verifyPIN(ANNOT("\\invariant \\secret()") char *g_cardPin,
5               char *g_userPin, int *g_ptc) {
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- Introduce semantic variables (e.g. `\count`) to specify flow information for example.

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7         diff = 0;
8
9         // Statement annotation
10        prop1: ANNOT("\\ensures \\count() == 4;")
11        for (i = 0; i < 4; i++)
12            if (g_userPin[i] != g_cardPin[i])
13                diff = 1;
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15        if (diff == 0) {
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- *Annotation* = *annotated entity* \wedge *predicate* \wedge *referenced variables*
- *Annotated entity* = *function* \vee *variable* \vee *statement*

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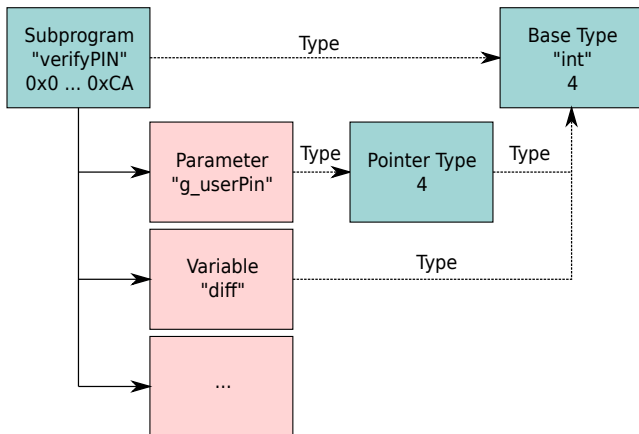
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DWARF debugging format

- Widely used and extensible.
- Represent the executable program using a tree of descriptive entities called *Debugging Information Entries* (DIEs).



Extending DWARF debugging format

- Introduce new DIEs to represent annotations and semantic variables.
- Examples :

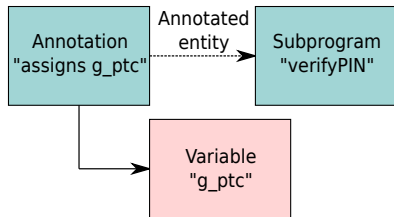


Figure: Function annotation

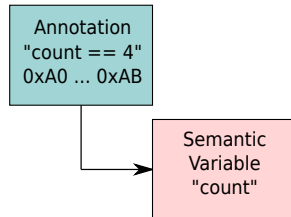


Figure: Statement annotation

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LLVM Overview

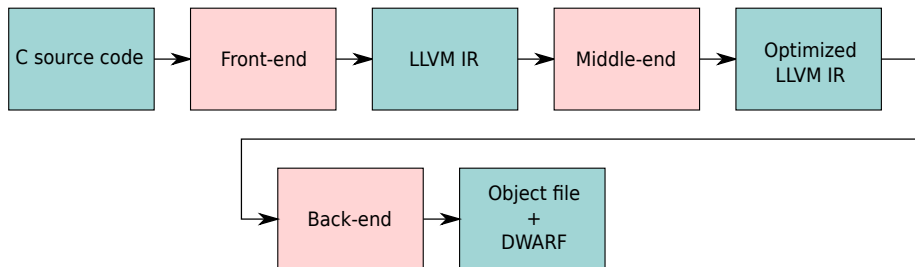
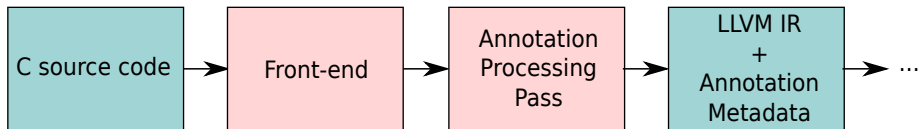


Figure: Framework overview

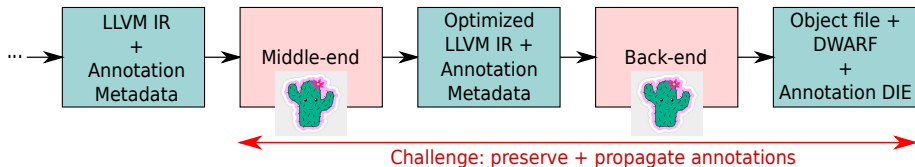
- LLVM already provides metadata mechanism to convey extra information about the code (e.g. debug information, loop unrolling factor, etc.).
- Only debug information metadata is preserved, propagated and emitted into the binary : other metadata is discarded at the beginning of the back-end.

Annotation representation in LLVM

- Annotation = dedicated LLVM generic metadata (new) :
 - Annotated entity
 - Variable + Function = debug info metadata (existing)
 - Statement = delimited by intrinsics begin-end (new)
 - Referenced variables
 - Variable = debug info metadata (existing)
 - Semantic variable = dedicated LLVM generic metadata (new)



Annotation propagation in LLVM



- Examples of annotation propagation problem :

- Annotated IR instructions merged or reordered or removed.
- Loop counters throughout loop optimizations [LPR14].
- Variables annotated or referenced in an annotation get optimized out.

- Examples of debugging information propagation bug :

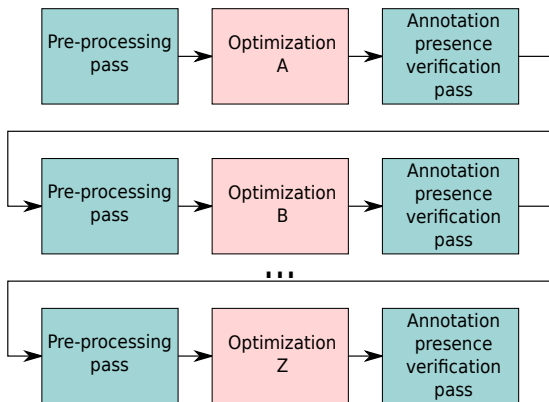
- mem2reg pass : debug location of PHINodes.
- LiveDebugVariables pass : location ranges of auto variables.

⇒ Build the minimal pipeline : start with no optimization (O0), progressively add (annotation-aware) optimizations to the pipeline (towards O1).

Verification of annotation presence throughout optimizations

To detect problems when propagating annotations :

⇒ mechanism to verify the *presence* of annotations throughout the optimizing pipeline.



- Benchmarks considered :
 - `codePin` : `verifyPIN` is annotated to make sure that it correctly grants access rights to an user under fault attacks.
 - First-order masked AES [HOM06] : `plain_text` and `round_key` are annotated as secret variables, masked variables are also annotated.
 - RSA (from FISSC) and SHA (from MiBench [GRE⁺01]) : simply annotate some random functions and data objects defined in the source program, without specifying real security properties.
- Function + variable annotations :
 - compiled at LLVM `-O1`
 - **verifying manually the annotation correctness**
 - annotations found in DWARF section but **variable debug info may be erroneous**
- Statement annotation : implementation in progress.

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- Summary :
 - Defined an annotation language for C programs based on ACSL, capable of expressing a wide range of properties from several application fields.
 - Defined a representation in the binary of the source-level annotations by extending the DWARF format.
 - Proposed mechanisms to propagate and verify annotations throughout an optimizing compilation pipeline.
- Perspectives :
 - Propose an automatic *correctness* validation process
 - Measure the impact of the minimal pipeline and the annotation
 - Show the utility of the annotation propagation

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